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BIS-ISOQUINOLINIUM COMPOUNDS, THEIR PREPARATION AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM

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[57] Compounds having neuromuscular Nocking activity of the formula

where B and C are each 
$$-(CH_2)_m - C - O - (CH_2)_n - N^+$$
  $R_3$ 

$$CH_2$$

$$R_4$$

$$CH_3$$

$$R_7$$

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where m and n are 2, 3 or 4; C is para or meta to B;  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy; Y is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, and X is a pharmaceutically acceptable anion, provided that at least one of R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> and at least one of R<sub>5</sub> to R<sub>5</sub> is lower alkoxy (88 pp)

WHAT WE CLAIM IS A compound of the formula (I) where B and C are each

where m is 2, 3 or 4, C is para or meta to B, n is 2, 3 or 4,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are the same or different and are each hydrogen or lower alkoxy of 1 to 4 carbon atoms, Y is lower alky 1 of 1 to 4 carbon atoms, and X is a pharmaceutically acceptable anion, provided that at least one of  $\rm R_1$  to  $\rm R_4$  is lower alkoxy and at least one of  $\rm R_5$  to  $\rm R_7$  is lower alkoxy.

The compound of claim 1 where m = 2, n = 3, Y is mothyl, one or two of  $R_1$  to  $R_4$  are hydrogen and the others are methoxy and two or three of  $\mathbf{R_5}$  to  $\mathbf{R_7}$  are methoxy and when two are methoxy the other is hydrogen.